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: MULTIPLE PROTOCOL ROUTING \_\_

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the office action dated November 22, 1991, please amend the claims as follows:

1. (amended) A method of calculating routes for sending user data packets via information handling devices which forward data packets through [are interconnected in] a communications network, comprising

including in at least a first and a second [each of said] user data [packets] packet, destination address information conforming to [an] two or more different addressing [convention] conventions [of any one] of two or more different independent protocol suites,

determining [always calculating said route] routes

for said first and said second [a] user data [packet] packets

using a route calculation algorithm corresponding to [the same] a

single routing protocol, chosen from an arbitrary protocol suite,

regardless of the addressing convention to which the destination

address information in said user data packet conforms,

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